

## **APPROVED MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA), held on April 22, 2013, in the Conference Room of the Water Pollution Control Facility, 1122 Universal Drive.

PRESENT: Ms. Sheridan, Messrs.: Freda, Johnson, Lane, Pellegrino, and Werner  
ABSENT: Mr. Abercrombie  
ALSO PRESENT: Jonathan Bodwell, Town Engineer  
Mark Barrows, Plant Manager, Veolia Water  
Paul Rodman, Veolia Water  
Angela Izzo, Public Works

Mr. Werner, Chairman of the WPCA, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Mr. Pellegrino made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2013 meeting, seconded by Mr. Lane. The Commission voted as follows: Mr. Freda – abstained; Mr. Lane – approved; Mr. Johnson – abstained; Mr. Pellegrino – approved; Ms. Sheridan – abstained; Mr. Werner – approved.

2. WPCF - Plant Operations - status report (MB/Veolia Water)

Mr. Barrows reported that the plant is running well and there were no violations to report.

3. Supplemental Assessment – 520 Washington Avenue (JB)

Mr. Bodwell discussed the details of the project and explained how the figures were calculated.

Mr. Freda made a motion to accept the supplemental assessment and to allow connection into the town's sewer system, seconded by Mr. Lane, Mr. Pellegrino abstained from the vote.

The vote was unanimous in favor.

4. Miscellaneous – Easement for sewer system – 207 North Hill Road

Mr. Freda presented the letter sent to the homeowners at 207 North Hill Road. He stated that the town offered a proposal that would pay the residents \$5,000.00 for the easement required. The proposal was rejected.

Mr. Bodwell explained the history of the sewer connection method used on a part of Summer Lane. 18 houses in this section of Summer Lane are on a pump system. In order to connect to the sewer, The town needs an easement from the residents of 207 North Hill Road.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Ray Gambardella, 135 Summer Lane, spoke about the problems sustained by many residents in the area. He stated that the pumps fail often and this causes a public health issue.

Mrs. Paula Rudnick, 128 Summer Lane, stated that all 18 houses have had a problem with the pump at some point.

Mr. Freda proposed an assessment over a 10-year period for the cost of the sewer hookup. Mr. Lane motioned to table this item pending further discussion. Mr. Johnson seconded.

Mr. Pellegrino made a motion to authorize Mr. Freda to make a counteroffer. Mr. Johnson seconded.

The vote was unanimous in favor.

Mr. Bodwell will provide details to the Commission at the May 20 meeting.

5. Universal Drive Pump Station & Force Maine Evaluation

Mr. Bodwell explained the process to get the force main replaced. He recommends replacing the force main, the fuel tank and the generator. He also recommends converting to natural gas instead of diesel.

Mr. Rudman referred to the cost breakdown for each phase of the project. Mr. Barrows stated that the cost would be about \$400,000.

Mr. Pellegrino made a motion to authorize the cost up to \$400,000. Mr. Lane seconded.

The vote was unanimous in favor.

6. Miscellaneous

Mr. Barrows reported a water main repair was done at the Water Pollution Plant. The repair work was awarded to North Haven Sewer at a cost of \$3,200.00.

Mr. Bodwell discussed a letter received regarding Vista Road.

Mr. Bodwell also discussed the repair of a broken pipe on Hartford Turnpike. He and Mr. Rodman are drafting specs to replace about 300 feet of pipe.

Mr. Bodwell spoke about moving the commission meetings to 6 p.m. for next year.

Mr. Rudman did a presentation showing before and after video footage of underground pipe repair work completed at various locations in town.

7. Payment of Bills

None

8. Public Comments

None

9. Adjournment

Mr. Pellegrino motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Freda. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.